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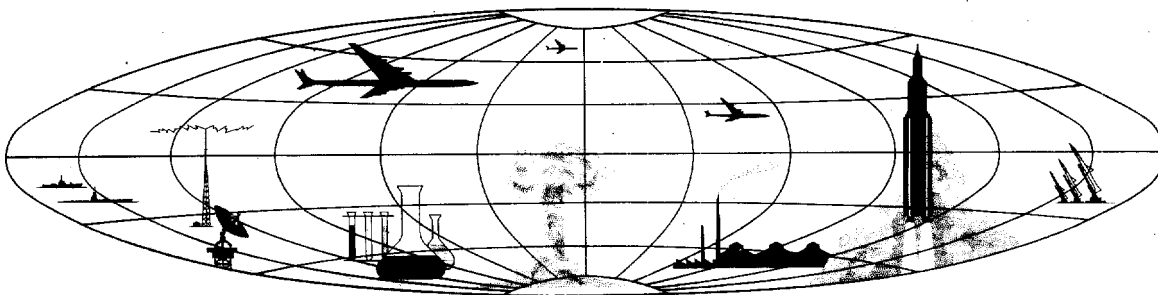


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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3186, DATED 26 NOVEMBER 1962. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3 2242N 08308W

AREA CONTAINS 8 BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS, ONE SMALL BUILDING, 5 SMALL AND 3 LARGE TENTS. APPROXIMATELY 6 VEHICLES OBSERVED. AAA SITE APPEARS ABANDONED. NO ACTIVITY NOTED.

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25X1A

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4 2246N 08258W

NO ACTIVITY NOTED AT SITE. NUMEROUS TENTS AND VEHICLES NOTED IN SUPPORT AREA NORTHWEST OF SITE. POOR IMAGE QUALITY PRECLUDES DETAILED ANALYSIS.

25X1D

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CAMPO FLORIDA POSS CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

THREE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED ON LOOP ROAD AND 5 PROBABLE VANS AT EASTERN END OF SITE. SCATTERED CLOUDS PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2156N 08019W

SITE CONTAINS A LAUNCH REVETMENT AND 2 POSSIBLE TRANSPORTERS. SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE

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FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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SIGUANEA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2137N 08258W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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CABANAS SAM SITE 2006N 07520W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

25X1D

25X1A

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE 2142N 07850W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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25X1A

CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE 2202N 08024W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE CLOUDS AND  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

25X1D

25X1A

LA COLOMA SAM SITE 2218N 08332W

25X1D

AREA CONTAINS 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD  
REVTMENTS.

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W



GUIDANCE AREA IS NOW REVETTED. NO OTHER APPARENT  
CHANGE

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SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE 2147N 07929W



NO APPARENT CHANGE

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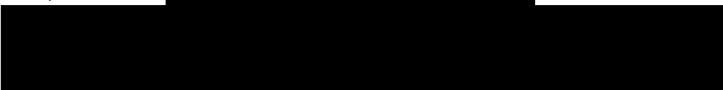
SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2205N 08409W



SITE CONTAINS A PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE ON  
EACH OF THE 6 LAUNCHERS. THE 3 MISSILE-HOLD POSITIONS  
ARE CANVAS-COVERED. A PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTER  
IS LOCATED AT THE SE HOLD POSITION. NO OTHER APPARENT  
CHANGE

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W



NO APPARENT CHANGE

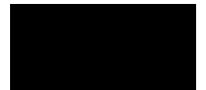
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MANZANILLO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2018N 07706W



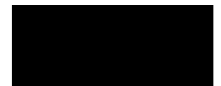
NO EVIDENCE OF SAM ASSEMBLY AREA REMAINS.

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PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2221N 08339W



VEHICLES -- 20 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 4  
PROBABLE TRAILERS, 3 PROBABLE TRACTORS, AND  
APPROXIMATELY 5 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

AREA CONTAINS 24 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS  
AND APPROXIMATELY 50 VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

25X1D

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25X1A

BARTOLOME (REMEDIOS AREA) SUSP SSM ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

NO MISSILES OR MISSILE-RELATED ACTIVITY NOTED.  
CLOUDS, HAZE, AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED  
INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA 2146N 07958W

APPROXIMATELY 20 POSSIBLY MISSILE-RELATED VEHICLES  
IN AREA. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SALAMANCA (REMEDIOS AREA) SUSP SSM ACTIVITY 2227N 07940W

NO MISSILES OR MISSILE-RELATED ACTIVITY NOTED.  
CLOUDS, HAZE, AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED  
INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

-AIRFIELDS-

ANTONIO MACEDO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 9, INCLUDING 2 CRATE, ONE CAB,  
ONE HOUND, AND 5 LIAISON.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 5, INCLUDING 2 COLT, 2 LIAISON,  
AND ONE DERELICT.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES  
AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY IS PARKED AROUND FIELD.

25X1D

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25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- UNDETERMINED NUMBER. SCATTERED CLOUDS AND  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

COLONEL MARTIN MARRERRO AIRFIELD 2150N 08247W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
CONSTRUCTION ON RUNWAY IS APPARENTLY INCOMPLETE.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

ONLY 5 BEAGLE FUSELAGE CRATES OBSERVED. CLOUDS  
AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES  
CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE UNIDENTIFIED SINGLE ENGINE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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25X1A

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES  
HAZE PRECLUDES IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES.

25X1D

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25X1A

MANZANILLO AIRFIELD 2019N 07708W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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25X1D

25X1A

PINAR DEL RIO AIRFIELD 2225N 08341W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 43, INCLUDING 2 T-33, 3 C-47, ONE  
COACH/CRATE, 2 FAGOT, 12 FISHBED, 12 B-26, 2 COLT, 5  
LIAISON, AND 4 DUMMY FAGOT.  
SEVEN NEW AIRCRAFT REVETMENTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

25X1D

25X1A

SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 13 BEAGLE/MASCOT, INCLUDING  
3 FUSELAGES, 2 WITH WINGS BEING REMOVED, 2 WITH WINGS

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BUT NO TAIL ASSEMBLY, 2 COMPLETE EXCEPT ENGINES, AND  
4 COMPLETE. TWENTY FUSELAGE CRATES ARE SCATTERED  
ALONG TAXIWAYS AND PARKING APRONS.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN AAA DEFENSES IN VISIBLE PORTIONS

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25X1D

25X1A

SIGUANEIA AIRFIELD 2138N 08257W

25X1D  
25X1D  
25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN AIRFIELD FACILITIES  
CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1A

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

25X1D  
25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
RUNWAY APPEARS SERVICEABLE. NO APPARENT CHANGE IN  
FACILITIES

25X1A

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

25X1D

NO NEW OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED.

25X1A

LA FLORA AREA MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

25X1D  
25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE

25X1D

MANAGUA MILITARY INSTALLATIONS 2258N 08217W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES  
HAZE AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE VEHICLE COUNT.

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MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVE STORAGE SITE 2206N 07958W

25X1A

AREA IS DOUBLE-FENCED AND CONTAINS 2 LARGE AND SEVERAL SMALL BUNKERS, ONE REVETTED BUILDING, AND SEVERAL TRUCKS.

25X1D

MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2017N 07706W

25X1A

AREA CONTAINS 6 PROBABLE STORAGE OR MAINTENANCE BUILDINGS, NUMEROUS SMALL TENTS, AND 4 ROWS OF VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. TRENCH SYSTEMS STILL PRESENT. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

PINAR DEL RIO, MILITARY CONCENTRATION 2223N 08342W

25X1A

APPROXIMATELY 30 VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

PLAYA BIBIJAGUA MILITARY CAMP 2152N 08244W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE HAZE  
AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

SANTA FE AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2143N 08249W

25X1D

NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES IN  
VISIBLE PORTION OF INSTALLATION.

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-PORTS-

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

VESSELS -- SEVERAL SMALL CRAFT IN HARBOR.  
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED ON PIERS OR ACCESS  
ROADS.

25X1D

25X1A

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER AND ONE TANKER.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PORT FACILITIES

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

LA COLOMA PORT 2214N 08334W

VESSELS -- NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.  
NO MILITARY VEHICLES OR EQUIPMENT NOTED. NO  
APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

VESSELS -- NO LARGE VESSELS, 9 BARGES.  
NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

MARIEL NAVAL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- NO MAJOR VESSELS OBSERVED IN SE AREA OF  
PORT. CLOUDS AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

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MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER IN PORT.  
HAZE AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

NUEVA GERONA PORT 2153N 08248W

VESSELS -- 2 UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS, ONE BARGE, AND 3  
SMALL CRAFT.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PORT FACILITIES. OBLIQUITY  
PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- ONE UNIDENTIFIED SHIP DOCKED AT PIER AT  
PUNTA LA GUIRA. CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER ALONGSIDE PIER IN NE AREA  
OF PORT, 2 FREIGHTERS AND ONE LARGE BARGE AT PIER ON  
NORTH SIDE, AND ONE FREIGHTER (PROBABLY FUELING) AT  
REFINERY.  
HARBOR BOOM IS OPEN. NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PORT  
FACILITIES

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

SURGIDERO DE BATABANO NAVAL PORT 2241N 08218W

VESSELS -- 2 POSSIBLE SMALL PATROL CRAFT, ONE COASTAL  
STEAMER, ONE POSSIBLE BARGE, AND NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT.  
NO UNDERWATER OBSTACLES, COASTAL DEFENSES, OR FIELD  
FORTIFICATIONS NOTED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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25X1A

-HIGH INTEREST AREAS-

SPECIAL AREA 1 2252N 08230W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.  
SEE SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD.

25X1D

25X1A

SPECIAL AREA 18 2251N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

-LANDING BEACHES-

CIENFUEGOS BEACH 2202N 08026W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY NOTED.

25X1D

25X1A

SIBONEY AREA, LANDING BEACH 1957N 07542W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN DEFENSES

25X1D

25X1D

25X1A

-MISCELLANEOUS-

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

AREA CONTAINS 6 REVETTED BUILDINGS (4 STILL UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION) AND A CLEARING TO EAST FOR POSSIBLY A  
SEVENTH BUILDING.

25X1D

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MENDOZA O ISABEL RUBIO TRANSSHIPMENT POINT 2209N 08405W

NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR AIRCRAFT SHIPPING CRATES  
OBSERVED. HAZE PRECLUDES DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

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25X1D

SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, PROB AMMO STGE 2257N 08211W

NO APPARENT CHANGE

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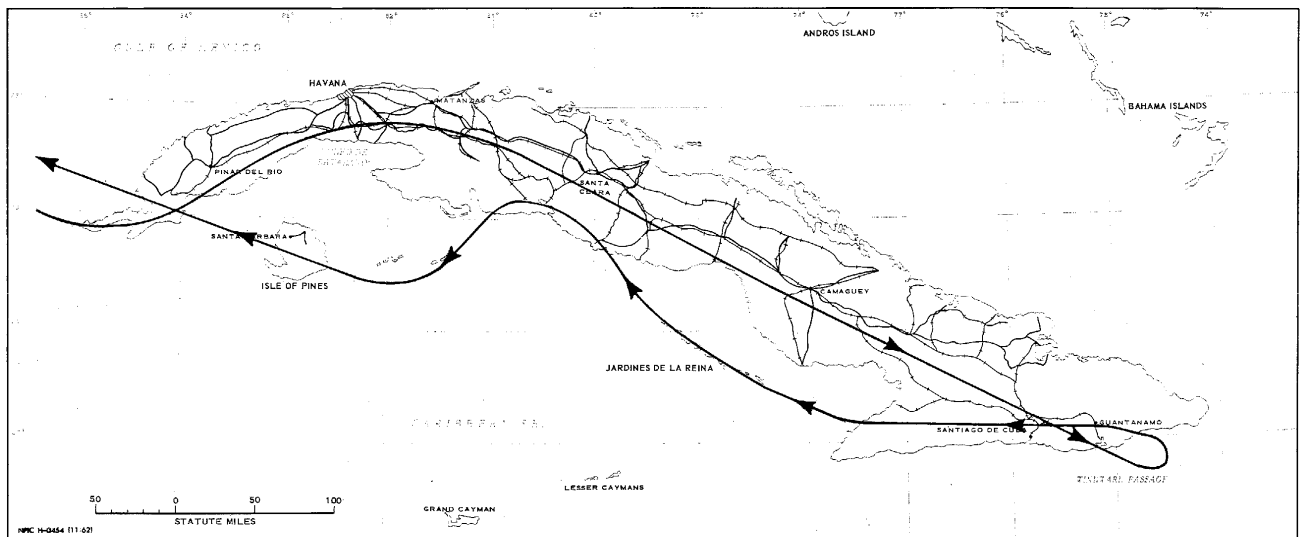
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NO CAVES OBSERVED.

THERE ARE NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT ITEMS TO REPORT.

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